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REMARKS

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1. Between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on 29 and 30 October 1951, four MIG-15s flew individually at Grossenhain airfield. [redacted] At 9:30 a.m. on 31 October, a transport landed at the field and took off about 11:30 a.m. Another transport was observed landing about 5 p.m. The wife of a Soviet officer said that the transport was a mail plane which dropped a mail bag over the field three times a day.
2. The jet fighter unit had been transferred from the field. According to the wives of officers, the jet planes, the crews and their dependents had left for the U.S.S.R. The billeting equipment was packed in boxes and left by rail. \*
3. Only four jet planes were observed at the field. The same motor vehicles as previously observed were parked there. No troop shipments were observed. During the transfer, transports landed at the field where they were loaded with equipment of the jet fighter unit and took off again.
4. Young bachelor officers and NCOs from 20 to 25 years old arrived at the field. A Soviet woman said that most of the officers were pilots or flying personnel who were to complete their training at the field and that the new personnel arrived from the U.S.S.R. \*\* A portion of the new unit was quartered in the barracks installation at the field. The new officers could not understand or speak German. Some Soviet women who also arrived at the field were employed in the kitchen and the airfield offices. They wore civilian clothes but were allegedly to be issued uniforms soon. [redacted]

\* Comment. The information on the transfer of the jet fighters from Grossenhain airfield is correct. According to previous reports, the two regiments previously stationed there were shipped by rail to the U.S.S.R. between 10 and about 20 October 1951.

Com ent. The newly arrived personnel possibly belong to the advanced detail of a unit which is to be transferred to the field in the near future.

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